

DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated next to my name. I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: **MULTI-WELL ROTARY SYNTHESIZER**. The specification of which was filed on June 16, 1998 as application serial number 09/097,966. I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a).

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign Application(s)

Priority Claim

Yes No

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Number

Country

Day/Month/Year Filed

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

Application Serial No.

Filing Date

Status: Patented, Pending, Abandoned

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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 Filed: June 16, 1998) **POWER OF ATTORNEY BY ASSIGNEE**
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 For: **MULTI-WELL ROTARY SYNTHESIZER**)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
 Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Northwest Engineering Inc., Assignee of the above-identified application by Assignment dated _____
 _____ hereby appoints the members of the firm of HAVERSTOCK & OWENS LLP, a firm
 including Thomas B. Haverstock (Reg. No. 32,571), Jonathan O. Owens (Reg. No. 37,902), Derek J. Vestberg
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 substitution to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office in
 connection therewith.

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I hereby certify that the Assignment document filed with the application or filed subsequent to the filing
 date of the application, has been reviewed and I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, title
 is with **Northwest Engineering Inc.**

Northwest Engineering Inc.

Dated: 8/27/98

By: [Signature]
 Name: Gary R. McLuen
 Title: President